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Cherokee remembered

Doug Adamson traces Cherokee Resort's roots as it's about to be turned into cottage development
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A study in art

Art is hard work – but it's also a whole lot fun as a group of students discovered last week when they gathered at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery to learn some techniques from Charles O'Neil. Here, Emily Packer concentrates on the frog figurine she chose to sketch. There's more on the art mentoring program on page 17.

Time for debate runs out at Lofty Pines

by **SHERYL LOUCKS**
Times staff

Minden Hills council will vote on a zoning amendment request for Lofty Pines on April 24 despite the concerns of neighbouring residents.

Reeve Ross Rigney made it clear during Thursday's committee of the whole meeting that the application by Allan Bertrand to convert his property into time shares has been on the table for two years and that was long enough. Bertrand is planning to take down nine of 10 existing cottages and build four new three-bedroom time-share

cottages. Altogether he plans on removing 12 structures from the Ingoldsby property, many of which are very close to the shoreline.

Jacque Tschekalin, Minden's planning consultant, said the zoning amendment is to change a corner of the property that has been zoned rural residential to commercial so that it conforms with the rest of the property. The piece in question has been used for parking and a septic system.

She said that her support for the application comes from the fact the new buildings will be

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County keeps budget increase to one per cent

by **SHERYL LOUCKS**
Times staff

If you own a \$100,000 home, the county is likely going to ask you for \$2.26 more than it did last year to honour all of its responsibilities such as roads, social services, the Chamber of Commerce and the introduction of 911.

But don't worry, the education portion of your property tax bill is going to go down by \$38 so you're already ahead of the game.

That means that if your municipality manages to hold the line on its budget, or keep any increases to a minimum, the

overall tax rate will go down this year.

That's the good news.

The bad news is that the county is able to keep its proposed budget increase to less than one per cent because of the increase in assessment throughout the county. (That's how the education tax cut is being funded, too.) The recent market value reassessment process means that the county is richer in assessment – new homes have been added to the assessment rolls and old homes and cottages are worth more.

Chances are, therefore, that if your property was worth

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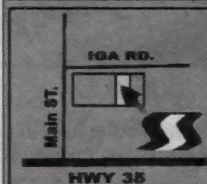
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Families line up to visit Hyland Crest residents

by ERIN TENNANT
Times staff

Minden's long-term care unit introduced restricted hours for visitors on Friday as the agency responsible for stopping the spread of SARS continues to unlocking access to regional hospitals.

However, the acute-care unit in Haliburton is still closed to all but hospital staff and patients.

Hyland Crest opened its doors to visitors "entering on compassionate grounds", following an Ontario-wide directive from the SARS Provincial Operations Centre.

Long-term patients at Haliburton Highlands Health Services sites received face-to-face contact with about 40 loved ones for the first time in at least 12 days, when the blanket shutdown on non-essential services was issued.

For patients and their close family, it was an occasion marked by joy and relief after what was for many an anxious waiting period.

"We had a line-up of visitors outside Hyland Crest's main doors", said HHHS director of long-term care, Melinda O'Mara. "Thankfully we were able to get them all through".

As well, a limited number of hospital volunteers will be returning to take some burden off nursing staff.

Anyone seeking to enter HHHS units must still undergo rigorous screening and health checks for the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome virus.

Visiting hours for Minden's 62 resident patients are from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. Visiting is limited to one well-wisher at a time for each resident, and the hospital requests that those who are unwell do not come.

Parking is available in the lot abutting McPherson Street. Visitors may come through the main doors.

Volunteers and close kin of resident patients were phoned about the new directive, said the HHHS president, Keith Sansford.

It follows the re-opening of HHHS out-patient clinics the previous Friday.

The Ministry of Health has counted 217 probable and suspected SARS cases across the province. There are none in this district.



Daren Lum/TIMES

The sun sets as Doug Adamson stands against a tree on the Cherokee Resort property with his frisky dog Patches. The cabins in the background were all built by him after World War II. The property has been sold to an owner who plans to create cottage lots.

Cherokee Resort becomes seven-cottage development

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

Next summer there will be cottages at Cherokee Resort but they won't be rented out by the week.

The property has been sold to a numbered company which plans to create seven new residential lots.

Ed Roberts, a Boshkung Lake cottager who's acting as spokesperson for the company, and Haliburton surveyor Paul Wilson recently attended an Algonquin Highlands council meeting to discuss some of the conditions attached to the severance of the lots.

If all goes well, the severance process will be finished by this summer. Any of the old cabins which are still in good shape will either be kept as auxiliary buildings or moved.

"We'll do what we came to save them or can move them," Roberts says.

The old metal buildings on shore, which used to serve as a marina, will be removed.

All seven lots will be sold to individual property owners.

Given the demand for lakeshore property, Roberts says the property has more value as a cottage development than cottage resort.

Council was supportive of the proposal,

which has already been reviewed by its planner who made several recommendations which the new owner has agreed to. For instance, the flooded lands along Halls Lake will be conveyed to the municipality and there will be a common area adjacent to Hwy 35. (Entrance to the

properties will be the driveway servicing the house which is currently on site.)

Reeve Eleanor Harrison was sad to see the historic value of the property lost, but said the cottages will probably be better for the lake environment than the 12 rental cabins with individual septic systems.

Cherokee not just a business to the man who built it

Just after World War II ended, Doug Adamson told his wife that he was going to build a cottage resort on the shores of Halls Lake.

"My wife said, 'You're crazy, you'll never do it,'" he says almost 60 years later. His response: "Just watch me."

And build he did. Adamson was following a dream and Cherokee Resort was the result.

He got the lumber for the 12 cabins first from Maurice Windsor's mill in Carnarvon and then Carnarvon Lumber. He couldn't get any electricity so Mac McGary from Hydro and local electrician Lawrence Pritchard "got enough wire to hook us up from the road." It was a 35 amp service.

Highway 35 was "more like a country road" but it still brought people north from the city for a month of fishing and relaxing.

The first year was "grim. It was lean," he recounts. But soon, as word of the Highlands and Cherokee spread, "We had the nicest people in the county. The July people came up the day after school ended and then the August people followed.

"It was just like a big family."

Although it was a lot of work maintaining all the cabins, Adamson's memories are only good. "It was a lot of fun - the satisfaction. I always regretted that I sold it [around 1969.] It was home."

Neighbours worry about change to year-round use

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further back from the shoreline than the existing legal non-conforming cottages. It is also her understanding that the Ministry of the Environment has approved the septic system for proposal. That was questioned by one of the residents who had different information.

Tim Higgins argued that although he and many of the residents along Lake Kashagawigamog near Lofty Pines wish Bertrand success, they also want to see the new development meet current setbacks. So did John Matthews, a Lake Kashagawigamog Organization director.

Matthews presented concerns about the environmental impact of turning Lofty Pines into a four-seasons operation, the need for better natural buffers or plantings, a ban on personal watercraft and a contribution of a \$1,000 from the developer toward a future lake capacity study.

Tschekalin said it did not make sense to require the buildings be moved farther back on an already developed lot and lose even more trees since the shoreline has been largely cleared. Bertrand also said he has been careful about the placement of the new buildings to protect the trees, some of which are more than 100 years old.

Dick Parkinson, another cottager in attendance, told council there may indeed be nothing wrong with Bertrand's plans

but he has not been given the information to decide. He was joined by others who were frustrated in their attempts to get access to detailed information about the proposal from municipal staff.

Rigney replied that the municipality had fulfilled its legal obligations of notice and then added that the information from the site plan would be provided to them.

Kelly Sinclair, Bertrand's neighbour, says the information she's received suggests the new time-share will be about 90 per cent utilized in the summer and 50 per cent in the winter. She suggested to council that the numbers would be significantly

Septic systems, buffers and increased usage among concerns

higher when people brought in their guests. Her concern was for the septic system and the potential phosphate load on the lake.

Councillor Peter Oyler, who is president of the LKO, echoed those concerns and asked what options Bertrand had if his septic system failed. Tschekalin says he could install a new system, reduce the usage or the Ministry of the Environment could shut the place down.

Bertrand said many of the issues raised could be addressed. He was willing to work with residents regarding lighting, restriction of personal water craft and docking. He agreed to sit down with residents, representatives of the LKO and Tschekalin to try and work out concerns.



Councillor Bill Obee looks over plans to change Lofty Pines to a time-share development while owners Lynne and Allan Bertrand present their case to councillors.

Planning backlog worries deputy-reeve

A backlog of 258 open cases in the Minden Hills planning department is cause for concern, says Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon.

McMahon had asked the municipality's chief bylaw officer, Fraser MacDonald, for a report. At last Thursday's committee meeting, MacDonald said when he went through the files he discovered case files open since 1987.

There were five stale-dated cheques and a large number of road allowances files still open because those applications are not tied to a deadline. There are 55 shoreline allowances files open.

McMahon noted a few instances where people will have to reapply. He says it is surprising that the applicants had not been phoning staff but MacDonald says some people just assumed the paperwork had been completed and others had forgotten about the file.

MacDonald says staff devised a new system whereby a computer notice will pop up every 30 days when there has been no activity on the file. He says they are also working to get the backlog resolved and in some instances very little work is needed to close the file. He explained the backlog is due to a poor follow up system.

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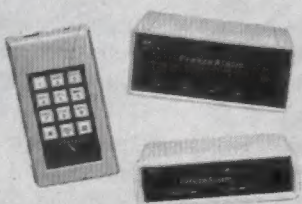
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Noise bylaw needs 'unnecessary' addition

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times staff

One simple word may solve a lot of potential problems with Minden Hills' proposed noise bylaw even though the word itself is "unnecessary."

Former planner Brendan Berube made a delegation to the recent committee of the whole meeting to discuss his concerns with the noise bylaw. Essentially he wanted to know who decides what constitutes noise loud enough to break the bylaw. His concern is for people like himself who occasionally need to run generators or those who use chainsaws or other loud equipment.

Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon says the intention of the bylaw is to put a stop to parties in wee the hours of the morning, not to harass people doing construction, snow plowing or normal farm practices. Councillor Ron Buchanan, who is a former OPP officer, says the insertion of the word "unnecessary" will make it clear noise is allowed when it pertains to someone earning their living or doing a task they cannot do without making noise.

"At 4 a.m. if gravel needs to be brought in to shore up a road, then it's necessary. Putting speakers up in the trees so they face the lake so you can yahoo it up is unnecessary. The word unnecessary is used in other acts such as the Highway Traffic Act," says Buchanan.

He added police officers are already responding to noise complaints, which

the municipality has to pay for, but officers can only ask people to keep the noise down. The new bylaw will give them the ability to actually do something about the situation such as levy a fine.

Berube was satisfied with the idea but Councillor Ingram Wessell was not. Wessell says the word "unnecessary" still leaves the door wide open for nuisance complaints. Councillor Peter Oyler argued that the people generally have common sense enough not to bother calling the police unless it is for a significant complaint.

Haliburton Highlands OPP Staff Sgt. Bob Walli told council that officers responded to 49 noise complaints in 2002 and all of them were from people making unnecessary noise in later hours. There were four specific locations generating many calls with one the site of 12 calls.

Buchanan said the bylaw could not specify times or say "no parties" because the wording could be twisted in court to say for example that the party causing so much noise was actually a wake and the perpetrators could get off.

Berube asked what protection there was for people to avoid becoming victims of vindictive complaints. Walli responded by saying his officers have good judgement and so do the justices in court. He believes there are appropriate checks and balances in place to pass the bylaw.

The noise bylaw has yet to come to a vote in regular council.



Martha Perkins/TIMES

Reaching out

At a prayer for peace rally at Head Lake on Friday night, Carnarvon resident Doug Smith reads a poem he wrote in response to the American invasion of Iraq. About 30 people attended the vigil, which Smith helped to organize, as a way to express their concerns for the people of the ravaged country. Now they're wondering if there's any way to "twin" the Highlands with a town in Iraq as a way of fostering a better understanding between the two countries. Any ideas are welcome.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Marketing value

It will be interesting to learn how much value Haliburton County councillors see in the marketing efforts of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

When the budget deliberations are complete and all the fat is pared away from each department, assuming there is any fat to be pared, will the members of council continue to support the Chamber with the \$150,000 they have over the past couple of years?

It will depend on whether councillors believe they are getting enough bang for the taxpayers' buck. It will also come down to the question of whether or not our county leaders really want to boost the economy by spending money on marketing. There may be some who would prefer to keep Haliburton County the way it is. Some seasonal residents and a few who have recently retired to full-time life in the Highlands may prefer to resist progress and its inevitable expansion of businesses and the influx of people.

We've all heard people say they moved here to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life. Those people seem to think more people coming to the Highlands to earn their living or for their recreational pursuits equals less privacy or a lower quality of life for the local residents.

That doesn't have to be the case. Good marketing will encourage the establishment environmentally friendly businesses and services within the county. The focus doesn't have to be on heavy industry. There are plenty of opportunities to attract new companies and expand existing businesses which will compliment the lifestyle we enjoy in The Highlands.

The increased availability of high speed internet connections in The Highlands, for example, will encourage the development of information technology (IT) based businesses. Such businesses are at the top of the environmentally friendly list. There are no harmful byproducts from IT companies – no contaminants with a 10,000-year half-life. Development of IT businesses in the area would also serve to keep some of the more innovative-minded young people here, instead of exporting them to the GTA and beyond.

Quality of life for the people who live in Haliburton County depends on the opportunities for employment. Unless we continue to expand the business base, the opportunity for the youth of today to remain in their home communities and earn a decent living will be very limited. For most of us, quality of life includes the close proximity of family and friends, and not just those who are approaching retirement age.

The fact that Canadian Tire saw the potential to justify building a store here and Tim Horton's is planning to locate a store here are good indicators that Haliburton County is ripe for progress. These companies aren't interested in investing in areas with marginal potential.

It has often been said that it takes money to make money, and \$150,000 in today's economy isn't a huge investment. If the county isn't prepared to invest in marketing, and providing incentives to attract potential business investment within The Highlands, we can never hope to prosper.

Opportunity is the key and marketing is vital to providing opportunities for the residents of Haliburton County to enjoy prosperity. Deny opportunities and we can only look forward to stagnation. The investment in marketing now will pay huge dividends in the future.

If the county decides to decrease funding for the Chamber's marketing efforts without implementing some other form of aggressive marketing plan, it might as well close the Chamber, roll up the sidewalks and hide the welcome mats.

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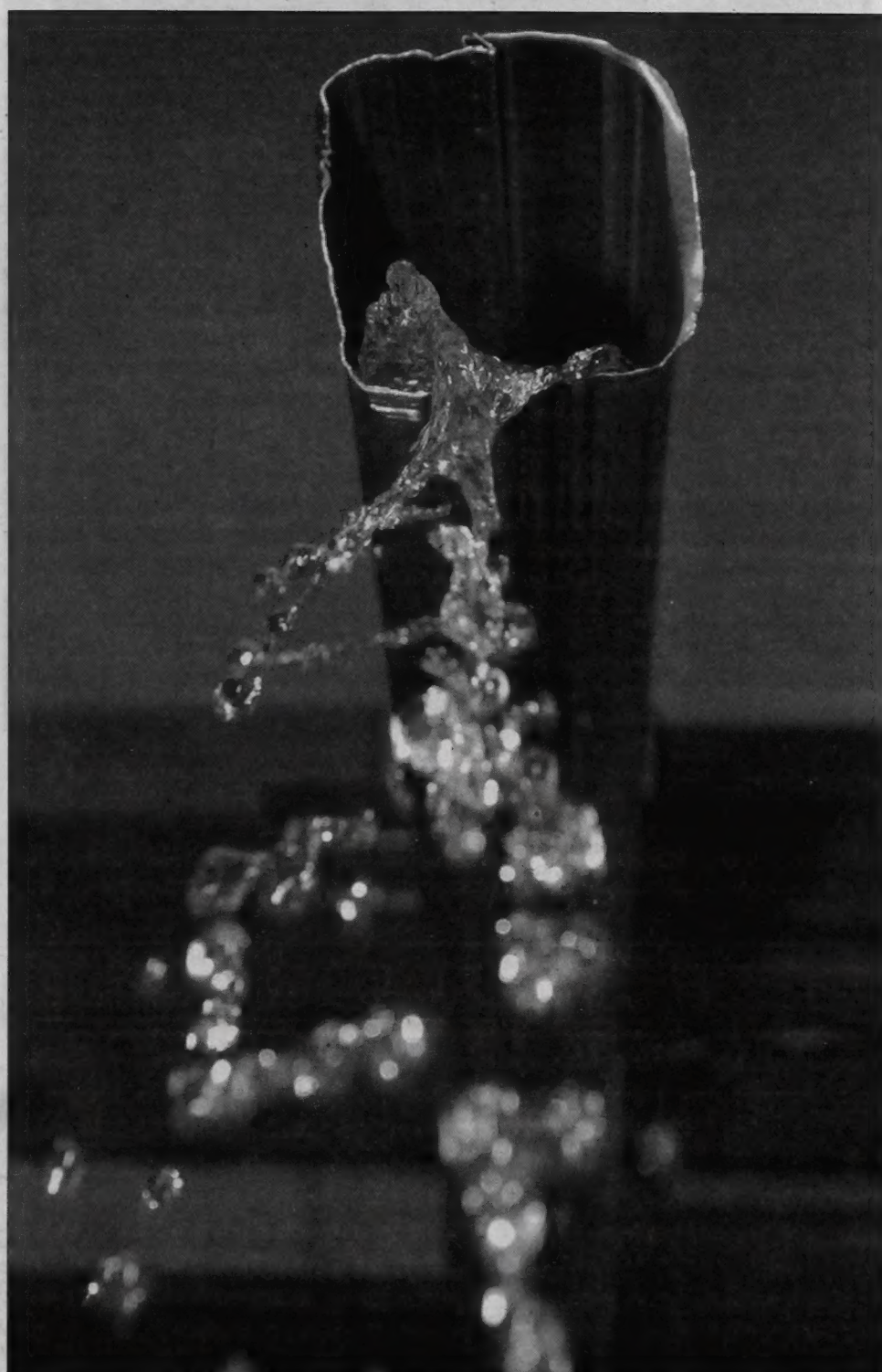
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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Lions Club appreciated

To the Editor:

As we welcome the arrival of Dr. Ben Wu and Dr. Emile Campioni to the clinic at the Minden Health Care Centre, we also remember the important contribution the Minden and District Lions Club has made to health care in the Minden area and the Haliburton Highlands.

The Lions Club, working with and for the community, agreed in the early 1990s to lend its support and guidance to the maintenance of the medical clinic in Minden. Through the actions of the service club, the clinic building was secured so that Minden could continue to provide a suitable location for family physicians to practise.

The contribution of the Lions Club and its leadership in the area of medical services, and others, has served our community well. As their participation in this aspect of health care comes to a close, allow me to express the appreciation of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services and that of the community at large for the vital role the service club has played.

Jack Brezina, Chair
Haliburton Highlands Health Services

IN OTHER WORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Cutting edge employment opportunity

If you've ever wanted a job on the cutting edge now is the time to speak to Jayde Hanson. He's looking for an employee who is punctual, presentable, trusting and I'd imagine somewhat brain dead. Actually, he's interviewing prospective assistants for his knife-throwing act.

It's not a bad gig really. You just stand still in front of a nicely coloured wall, smoke cigarettes or balance apples on your head while good old Jayde does the rest. As you might have guessed, he's the brains of the operation.

And speaking of brains, he nearly exposed those of his last employee after one of his throws ended up a little shy of the mark. Hey, it was an honest mistake. Everybody has an off day once in a while.

Despite this, she quit and has now opted for a lateral transfer in the Circus. She's decided to study as a hula-hoop artist. At least in that profession, most injuries are hip related and compensation premiums are

much lower.

In Jayde's defense, in 11 years of knife throwing, he's only hit his assistant five times. His previous employee, prior to this one, left after being hit only three times. And now Yana – the one he nearly scalped – is leaving after just two "unpleasant" experiences. Talk about a spoilsport. I guess it proves that good help is hard to find.

Yana says that she'll miss the job and that she's leaving a part of her behind. Aside from the razor sharp blades whizzing by her exposed flesh, I imagine it was basically pleasant and stress free work.

Of course, exciting employment opportunities like this only come around once in a blue moon. So if you're interested, now is the time to modify your resume according-

ly. That would mean putting more emphasis on how you dealt with paper cuts if you've worked in an office environment.

Or perhaps a small paragraph about how you've handled backstabbing in the past. On the other hand, if you have a rare blood type or possess a jittery disposition, well maybe this isn't the job for you.

Obviously, the competition is going to be stiff. Assistants from less skilled knife throwers, such as Bobo the Blind or Igor the Inconsistent, will be lining up for a chance to work with someone who has a higher degree of accuracy like Jayde.

But who knows? Maybe

he's looking for a fresh new face.

Rest assured, if you do get the job working with Jayde, you'd be working with the best. He holds the world's record for

throwing 120 knives in two minutes at his assistant. She, I imagine, holds the record for continence. They say, "He felt confident as he has been throwing his mother's kitchen knives since the age of 10." And I thought my kids were bad. The early years must have been particularly horrifying.

In any case, since he just made a bad throw, the odds are that he won't make another for at least two years. That'll give his new assistant a little bit of time to master her craft and settle her affairs.

I guess this proves that there are jobs out there if a person is willing to consider untraditional fields. Oh sure, it's an entry-level position, but in your spare time you could take courses on how to be shot out of a cannon. All, I'm saying is that there is room for upward mobility if you do your job right.

But, rest assured, you're not going to be noticed standing in front of that board – not unless you stick to it.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Scrolled any good books lately?

If you've had the dubious pleasure of fighting your way through any of Canada's larger airports lately, you may have noticed a brand new booth tucked in amongst the sunglasses, ball caps and T-shirt boutiques.

It's a service called "Teleporter." For twenty bucks or so they'll let you rent a DVD player along with a copy of the movie of your choice. You take them on board, watch the movie during the flight, then turn the player and the movie back in at your destination airport.

There's an even cheaper piece of entertainment hardware that's been available at airports for years. They don't need batteries, cables, modems or discs. What's more you can jam them in your hip pocket, drop them, kick them, even spill coffee all over them and they still work like a charm.

They call them paperbacks.

Remember how a few years ago some cybertech gurus were proclaiming the death of books? They assured us that it was only a matter of time before the only paperbacks or hardcovers around would be in museums and we'd all be reading – make that 'scrolling' – the latest bestsellers on

our laptops.

Well, sure. Who wants something cheap and portable like a pocketbook when you can give yourself carpal tunnel damage and a five-alarm migraine staring at the phosphorescent screen of a \$2,000 temperamental piece of gadgetry that's fragile, needs a power source and is prone to crashing unexpectedly?

The success of electronic books has been highly underwhelming while the death of the conventional book has, to cop a line from Mark Twain, been greatly exaggerated. As a matter of fact, the simple book is turning out to be more durable than anyone ever suspected.

Sixteen years ago, in the first flush of cyberphoria, the British Broadcasting Corporation grandly announced the inauguration of The Domesday Project. It was to be a computer-driven multimedia version of the famous, thousand-year-old Domesday Book.

The idea behind the project was to bring some pizzazz to the fusty old pages of the famous book and at the same time showcase Britain's growing electronic sophistication. Big thinkers were hired and computational brainiacs were charged with developing special computers to handle videodiscs of text, photographs, maps and archival footage.

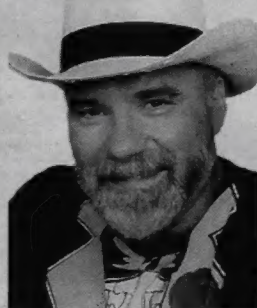
That was back in 1986. Earlier this year, the Domesday Project was officially declared dead. Why? Because the technology used to create the project has been eclipsed. Everything developed

for the project is already obsolete. Unreadable.

As opposed to the real, 11th century Domesday Book, which is in near-per-

fect condition and available to the reading public in The Public Record Office in London.

That's one thing the Webheads didn't count on: incompatibility. As Katy Hafner



ARTHUR BLACK

Columnist

County's resources need protection

To the Editor:

The current growth in seasonal and year round population and its attendant impact on the economic development of Haliburton County make more immediate the need to preserve and protect the county's natural resources. Historically, the waterways were the principal transportation corridors but now modern highways facilitate and enhance access to the county's many attractions and opportunities. Today, many portions of the former lake and river routeways have been granted to or purchased by individuals or group interests.

What was a public right-of-use, in many cases, has become a restricted pre-ogative. So public accessibility and use

of those historic water routes have become progressively problematic. This writer acknowledges and appreciates the custodial effect of private ownership and deplores the thoughtlessness demonstrated by the few who abuse the landscape.

But I am looking toward the benefits for the county, the permanent and the seasonal populations, in keeping those former public routeways open. If they are closed, the county loses in economic, recreational, and historical terms. Through compromise and co-operation we can all win. This means that an understanding between all parties –municipal,

private, and public – has to be reached.

There is provincial legislation in place and judicial decisions have been made which empower the continued usage by the general public of those historical routeways that have been documented in the

form of maps, journals, reports and so forth. Personal records of the routes used ie. by hunters, timber cutters, wilderness travelers, can be useful in authenticating public use of these waterways.

Along with the aid of U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research and student researchers from Trent University, I have attempted to collect such forms of documentation because I know that as

memories fade and records disappear we will lose all hopes of the continued public usage of these water trails.

If you have any information – personal experience, written records, sketches and maps - which you think might be useful and are willing to share, please contact one of the following:

- a. Haliburton Highlands Museum: 457-2760
- b. U-Links: www.ulinks@on.aibn.com 268-2411
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Haliburton

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5 First Place AWARDS

FIRST PLACE: PREMIER AWARD:

BEST FEATURE STORY

PUBLISHED IN ANY COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER IN ONTARIO.
ALLISON TAYLOR, The Minden Times, for 'Amazing Grace'.

Judge's comments: The Minden Times' Allison Taylor invites the reader to spend some time with Amazing Grace, a 95-year-old woman living on Echo Loon Island. The overall presentation of photos and layout make an excellent first impression and the writer's style holds the reader's attention without getting in the way of the story.

FIRST PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD: BEST HUMOUR COLUMNIST IN ONTARIO
STEVE GALEA, The Minden Times, The Haliburton County Echo, and County Life

Judge's comments: The adventures of the Crocodile Hunter in The Times and a series of columns in The Echo show Steve Galea as an example of humour writing at its finest. He hits the bulls eye on every target, forces the reader to examine everyday occurrences with a fresh new eye, and never talks down to them. This is warm, comfortable, laugh-out-loud humour by a writer who has mastered his craft.

FIRST PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD: ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT WRITING
MARTHA PERKINS, The Haliburton County Echo

Judge's comments: Kevin Dunlop's Amazing Marquetry (County Life) feature increases appreciation for a little-known type of artwork. Expertly written by Martha Perkins with attention to the art form's techniques, content and composition, plus detailed reporting and a true artistic labour of love. Innovative, crisp design, accompanied by a photo essay of the artist, the art and its patrons, plus a strong sidebar which answers any lingering questions. Impressive work.

FIRST PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD:
ONTARIO RURAL AND REMOTE DEVELOPMENT JOURNALISM
MARTHA PERKINS, The Haliburton County Echo

Judge's comments: The Haliburton County Echo submitted three stories by Martha Perkins that address the issue of 'difference' - the child born without a left hand, the youth who comes to the realization that he is gay, the environmentalist who makes a living cutting down trees. A compelling picture of life in all its complexity, drawn upon real-life stories to provide essential social commentary. The research is superb and the writing excellent - informative, educational and entertaining. Well done!

FIRST PLACE:

GENERAL EXCELLENCE:
CLASS 3, NEWSPAPERS WITH A CIRCULATION OF 3,500 TO 6,499
THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO, best overall newspaper among 25 entrants

Judge's comments: The Haliburton County Echo is a good overall newspaper that serves its community well. Great photos.

2 Second Place AWARDS

3 Third Place AWARDS

1 Honourable Mention

SECOND PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD:

ONTARIO RURAL AND REMOTE DEVELOPMENT JOURNALISM
Sheryl Loucks and Allison Taylor, The Minden Times

Judge's comments: The Minden Times submitted three excellent stories - a feature on the campaign launched by rural postal drivers to become unionized, a profile of a female trucker, and a feature on bullying. These stories showcased the paper's ability to reflect community interests and concerns - from human interest, to practical tips, to the educational. All solidly researched and written by Sheryl Loucks and Allison Taylor.

SECOND PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD: BEST IN-HOUSE PROMOTION
JAMIE WOODMAN: The Haliburton County Echo

Judge's comments: The Haliburton County Echo placed second for The Best Things in Life are Free advertisement. It's clean, concise and promotes the various publications they produce. Good use of process colour, not too overpowering.

THIRD PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD: BEST SPECIAL SECTION, 6000 AND UNDER CIRCULATION
FALL TOUR edition, The Haliburton County Echo and Minden Times

Judge's comments: The Haliburton County Echo's 'Fall Tour' is a section that works year after year. Its success stems from lots of interesting editorial and significant ad volume. Good job!

THIRD PLACE:

GENERAL EXCELLENCE: CLASS 2, NEWSPAPERS WITH A CIRCULATION OF 2,000 TO 3,499

THE MINDEN TIMES, third best overall among 22 newspapers

Judge's comments: The Minden Times is a beautiful looking paper, and easy to read. Photography is excellent. This paper is good from front to back.

THIRD PLACE:

PREMIER AWARD: BEST TECHNICALLY ENHANCED PHOTO
The Echo and The Times' County Life

Judge's comments: The 'Timbersports' page (front cover) was an interesting entry. The image of the wood cutter sawing through the County Life flag is a great idea... it had great impact and it worked well with the accompanying text.

HONOURABLE MENTION:

PREMIER AWARD: PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR
DARREN LUM: The Minden Times and The Haliburton County Echo



Staff of the Minden Times and The Haliburton Echo received the awards April 5, 2003, at the Ontario Community Newspapers Conference in Toronto (left to right: Allison Taylor, Sheryl Loucks, Ron Wassink, President - OCNA, Martha Perkins, Len Pizzey, Steve Galea & Jamie Woodman)

Martha Perkins/TIMES



With the audience pouring out into the hall outside the Northern Lights Pavilion, The Haliburton Highlands Music Festival's Highlights Concert last Wednesday was certainly the highlight of the week for many local families. The concert wrapped up a highly successful five-day celebration of music in all its variations. Three visiting adjudicators shared their knowledge with participants of all ages, some of whom were invited back for the highlights concert. Clockwise from top left: Kelsey Crowe of Minden, who also sang with the children's choir, plays Playful Puppy on piano; Ross Curtis of Stanhope sang about his puppy in A Cookie for Snip, and the HHSS Jazz Band gave the evening a rousing conclusion with St. Louis Blues. The Music Festival is sponsored by *The Minden Times* and *Haliburton County Echo*.

Through the overwhelming generosity of the individuals and organizations listed below, the following performers were chosen by the festival adjudicators to receive Festival Scholarships: Archie Stouffer Elementary School Music Program, Andrew Cherry, Katrina Chvedukas, The Crazy Eightz, Kelsey Crowe, Jodi Curry, Ross Curtis, Edward Cyr, Cyril Darke, Shane Dibblee, Joe Ferracuti, Louis Ferracuti, Maddie Ferracuti, Julie, Kerry, Pat and Tom Fitzgerald, the Fitzgerald Family, Claire Flatman, Nicholas Greaves, Melissa Guyatt,

the Guyatt Family, Abby Blythe Hagerman, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Flute Choir, HHSS Music Program, Highlands Wind Ensemble, Robin Lennox, Graeme Lloyd, Adrian Martin, Reuben Maughan, Devon McConnell, Kaitlyn McMurray, Willy Riley McReynolds, Arlen Mighton, Jen Moore, Myles Nicholson, David Perecko, Hilary Pristol, Jocelyn Regina, Leo Regina, Paige Roberts, Natalia Salvatori, Marina Sharp, Ashley Sharpe, Vanessa Smith, Bethany Snelgrove, Trish Vanier, Josh Wales and Cavell Wood.

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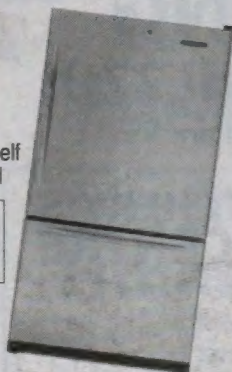
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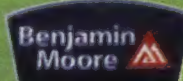
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Nine women's teams are a first

Badminton wins
HHSS players post impressive record



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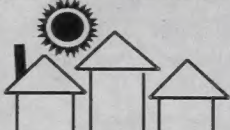
The Minden Curling Club played host to their junior curlers for the year-end bonspiel on March 30. The 26 members played a two six-end games, skills competition and the 'survival' game where different curling disciplines were tested. Participants are: Tori Brown, Michael Walli, Jake Walker, Conner Duhaime, Owen Duhaime, Jesse Alain, Nicole Docherty, Tara O'Sullivan, Chantal Cyr, Mitchell Rea, Brock Brown, Colin Ellis, Melissa Armstrong, Erin Pottier, Ryan Hogg, Tianna Cooper, Jessica Pottier, Jesse Walker, Coral Pratt, Tanner Graham, Devin Hogg, Tristan Ellis, Jonathon Pawson, Timothy Litwin, and Edward Cyr.

Lester brothers overcome injuries to advance to CSRA nationals

No one would have believed winter would return the first weekend of April in Orillia-but it did. Frigid temps and blowing snow on Saturday turned into a crisp, cold winter day Sunday for the CSRA's final Ontario race of the 2002/2003 season. This weekend wrapped up the CSRA Regional Series while next weekend the CSRA National Championship series will conclude in Corner Brook, Newfoundland.

After missing just one round of the National Championship series, current CSRA Pro National number one plate holder Luke Lester of South Lake returned to the race track to defend his title. Still nursing an injured knee but making good progress with his recovery, Luke was determined to put his Evinrude/Ski-Doo/Supertrax sleds on the start line for both the Pro 440 and Pro Open Finals. As a result of his strong performance at the first two nationals of the season, Luke was solidly in the top five in points before this weekend's racing. After competing this weekend at Horseshoe Valley, he will head to Newfoundland in strong position in the National Championship race.

Eighteen year old brother A.J. Lester, the CSRA's current Semi-Pro National number one plate holder was back on his Evinrude/Ski-Doo/Supertrax Revs' looking to increase his position in the Pro National championships after missing just one round of the series from injury. A.J. has been involved in intense physio-therapy, building muscle after losing his knee cap at the Barrie, CSRA Regional Round. A.J. came into the Horseshoe Valley National in the top ten in points and as a result of the weekend's racing will go the Newfoundland fully able to finish the season, despite his earlier injury-high in the Pro National points.

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Badminton players post strong results

The senior HHSS badminton team posted great results at the Kawartha Championship qualifier held at I.E. Weldon in Lindsay last week. They competed against athletes from Port Hope, Cobourg, and all of the Lindsay schools. The following team members will be representing the school at the Kawartha Championships at TASS in Peterborough next week.

First place finishers

Mixed Doubles: Andrew Mansfield, Cheryl Ripley
Men's Doubles: Andy Dawson, Brad Mickle

Second place

Mixed Doubles: Matt Allore, Brooke Mansfield
Ladies Doubles: Lesley Pearsell, Erica Fearrey
Ladies Singles: Debbie Ray

Third place

Men's singles: Shawn Heming
Men's Doubles: Norm Smith, Matt Manary
Ladies Doubles: Kate Dawson, Nicole Manary

Junior Badminton Results

The Junior HHSS badminton team travelled to Cobourg last Thursday for the Kawartha Qualifier Badminton Tournament. Teams from Cobourg, Port Hope, Lindsay and Fenelon Falls all attended. Haliburton Highlands Secondary school's results were excellent under good competition. The results are:

1st place: Justin McKelvey (boys singles) and Matt Moore and Katherine Berube (mixed doubles)
3rd place: Matt Roberts and Deni Kuezevic (boy's doubles) and Kierau Gillooly and Cassidy Zilla (mixed doubles)
4th place: Julie Johnston and Paige Collins (girl's doubles).

Nine women's teams compete in 25th annual Coby Islanders event

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

The 25th annual Coby Islanders Hockey Tournament is coming to the Highlands on Easter Weekend.

A total of 61 teams, including for the first time, nine women's teams, will compete in three divisions for 10 championships. The event is also known as the Haliburton Hockey Haven Easter Tournament.

The three main divisions are Open Recreational, Recreational and Women's.

Action will get under way at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 17 in Minden and Haliburton. The Lindsay Recreation Complex will be used for preliminary games on Friday. When the ice crystals have settled Sunday evening, a total of 112 games will have been played.

The tournament started 25 years ago with six teams. Now, with 61 teams entered, organizer Pat Russell said, "we could have had more, we just didn't have the ice time."

Russell has been an organizer of the event for all 25 years. He said that besides some exciting hockey action, there have also been some other occurrences which caused anxious moments. "We've had blackouts, Zamboni breakdowns and a brine pump that blew up," he said. "The good folks from the Wilberforce Arena stepped in and helped us out on a few occasions." He added that arena staff at all of the facilities that have been used have been very co-operative. "The rinks and

staff have been really good to us," Russell said.

The tournaments have also featured several National Hockey League players over the years, including a favourite of Toronto Maple Leafs fans, Darryl Sittler.

A team from Switzerland has made the trip to compete in the tournament for the past four or five years. The Swiss team will be back again this year.

The tournament will feature some teams with colourful names, such as Moose Knuckles, Dump Bears, Cranberry Sharks, Phat Boyz, Bonfire Wolf Pack, Spit Monkeys, Killer Beav's, Flying Elbows, Toronto Varsity Boozers and Tikkanen's Toinks, to name a few.

Russell says he thinks the women's division will expand. "There's a lot of interest in women's hockey right here in our own area, and that's a good thing," he said.

The action at both the Minden and Haliburton arenas will start at 7 a.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday and at 6 p.m. Thursday. Games on the first three days of the event will continue until midnight. The championship finals will start at 2 p.m. Sunday, with the two final games slated for 6 p.m. The A Championship game will be in Haliburton and the B Championship will be in Minden.

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Wednesday Afternoon League April 9

High average: Ken Thompson 217; Mona Benn 19; High single: Ken Thompson 244; Mona Benn 233; High single (handicap): John Whitty 274; Solveg Stout 290; High triple: Ken Thompson 667; Jean Pugh 589; High triple (handicap): John Whitty 741; Myra Marshall 715

Thursday Afternoon League April 10

High average: Ken Thompson 228; Shirley Webb 185; High single: Ken Thompson 254; Betty Henderson 253; High single (handicap): Bob Webb 291; Betty Henderson 308; High triple: Ken Thompson 684; Shirley Webb 557; High triple (handicap): Bob McMath 703; Betty Henderson 703

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Legion 636 Mixed League April 7

High average: Bob Vankoughnet 193; Pat Roussel 148; High single: Fred Knight 221; Ann Oakley 172; High single (handicap): Chas McGann 267; Ann Oakley 243; High triple: Rob Evans 574; June Anderson 448; High triple (handicap): Rob Evans 732; Bea James 655

Legion 636 Mixed League March 31

High average: Bob Vankoughnet 194; Pat Roussel 149; High single: Bob Vankoughnet 262; Pat Roussel 165; High single (handicap): Bob Vankoughnet 288; Pat Roussel 232; High triple: Bob Vankoughnet 707; Pat Roussel 488; High triple (handicap): Bob Vankoughnet 785; Pat Roussel 674



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Happy Birthday, CHACE!

Rosie Kenney and Cheryl Bathe, two of the women who founded the County of Haliburton Agency for Child Enrichment, CHACE, 20 years ago were on hand to cut the cake at last Saturday's birthday party at CHACE Place in Haliburton. The agency, which is now an Early Years Centre, has a resource centre in Haliburton and Minden as well as the CHACE daycare centre in Minden.

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No matter what the final figure for individual taxpayers, county politicians were happy that they were able to come with .96 per cent of their goal of keeping the budget increase to zero.

"I'm very pleased," Warden Ross Rigney said after last Wednesday's preliminary budget meeting. "It ended up a good compromise."

The biggest hits were to the roads department's proposed budget. (See accompanying story.) The department's wish list "was not in the realm of possibility," says the county's treasurer, Laura Janke.

There are some new items in the budget. The county will put \$30,000 into a fund to entice doctors to the area. CANOE FM will get a one-time start-up grant of \$10,000, the fish hatchery will get \$5,000 and \$25,000 has been set aside to look into the possibility of the county taking over all or some of the municipalities' waste management duties.

No money was earmarked for fighting West Nile virus.

The county knows the health unit is providing 50 per cent of the funding to kill mosquitoes but councillors felt the other half of the money should come from municipalities since the costs may fluctuate from municipality to municipality.

Rigney noted that Dr. Alex Hukowich, the district's chief medical officer of health, is coming to the April 23 county council meeting to discuss what can be done to fight the spread of the disease. "If he convinces us that West Nile is as important as SARS, then we can add money to the budget."

As well, Rigney said, if more doctors express an interest in coming to the Highlands later in the year, more money will be found for that fund.

At one point in the meeting, council had the budget increase down to zero, but Algonquin Highlands Deputy-revee Don Shortreed said that if money wasn't found for the extra initiatives, "it will come back to haunt you."

No money, however, was allocated for the County Fair, which is held every August in Minden. The fair board had asked for \$5,000.

Highlands East Keith Tallman said his municipality also has a fair board (which doesn't get any county money.) Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey noted there's a carnival in Haliburton and Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison pointed to Dorset's Snowball carnival.

Rigney, who's reeve of Minden Hills, warned that "if we don't do something, it won't be called the Haliburton County Fair at some point."

After the meeting, Rigney said "some municipalities may give money" to the Minden fair board. "At Minden Hills, we consider the fair to be important – it does draw a lot of people to the area. We have one of the oldest agricultural fairs in Ontario and would be a tragedy to lose it. I think it's a county responsibility."

The county also did little to improve its reserves.

"The county isn't a rich county," Treasurer Laura Janke said in an interview. "It's not rich in reserves, but with the times we're facing, with downloading costs, no one's expecting that."

She notes that a one per cent increase in the budget equals \$70,000. Ideally she would have liked a five per cent budget increase so she could add to reserves. "That would have been \$350,000 but that doesn't even pay for a grader."

She says the budget is good for taxpayers and also notes the county already has one of the lowest tax rates in the province. "Here we've got accountability and politicians are watching the bottom line, and as a treasurer, I like that."

Without the increase in assessment, however, she said taxpayers would have been facing a 10 to 12 per cent increase.

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Roads department trims its projects

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

There may be bumpy roads ahead – literally – if the county roads department continues to fall behind on its yearly “to do” list, says the department’s operations manager.

Although the roads budget is up by \$600,000, that increase will simply cover the cost of debenturing the County Road 121 improvements which were completed last year, Doug Ray says.

On top of that, the roads department will have to replenish its depleted sand and salt stocks.

With the money that’s left, the department will only be able to tackle four of the 10 projects identified as immediate road needs.

“I don’t think our roads are in crisis, but if the money doesn’t get refuelled, or we don’t get the assessment money [that is owing to the county], it’s going to happen,” Ray said on Wednesday after county council met to put the finishing touches on the budget, which will be passed on April 23.

Ray says that it’s not just Haliburton County which is having trouble paying for its roads needs; many counties in eastern Ontario are also finding it difficult to balance costs with funding levels.

In Haliburton County, the problem was made acute several years ago when the province transferred responsibility for some highways – including 121 – to the county. The province gave the county a lump sum as compensation, but over the years the county has spent all the money. There’s none left.

That means the roads department is responsible for more roads, and ones that require higher levels of maintenance, but basically has the same amount of money to do it with.

This year, the money was taken away from the 10 projects which were identified as “now needs” in a recent roads study. By putting off six of them (see sidebar for

remaining four), the projects will be bumped to next year, or the year after that. The longer you prolong the work, the more the roads will deteriorate and therefore more work will be required to fix them. Meanwhile, the roads which were identified for needing work in the next five to 10 years will face a similar conundrum.

“Roads are costing us a lot of money to maintain because of potholes so we wanted to fix the problems,” Ray says of the “now needs” list. The department will be able to fill the potholes but not do the work which would correct the cause of the problems.

“If it continues, it will be disastrous,” he says. “The roads need to be fixed. We have to look after our now needs. Everything gets pushed back and when you do that, the roads get in worse condition.”

“And what will happen to the road you planned to fix in three years? It will be done in five years and by that time it will have deteriorated.”

Ray understands the pressure that county council is under. Politicians had hoped to not increase the budget as a way of lowering the burden on ratepayers. They are also frustrated that the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation has a backlog of properties to assess in the Highlands. Because new and increased assessments haven’t been added, the county doesn’t have access to the revenues which would minimize the tax burden.

As well, the county is faced with the large costs of implementing 911.

“I know,” Ray says, “that they’re not collecting assessment, and 911 costs will come to a close, but will something else come up down the line? It would be nice if some of the money came back to roads.”

Warden Ross Rigney says “If we do get additional funding from the province, we’ll put it into roads. We don’t need any new roads; we need to rebuild the ones we have.”

2003 To Do List

The following are the major projects planned for the county roads department in the following year.

- Kushog Lake Road has a vocal champion in Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison. She has vowed that improvements to the road, which has been called the worst in the county, will no longer be postponed. The projected cost has been trimmed to \$400,000 from \$600,000 so Doug Ray, the department’s operations manager, says they might not be able to resurface the improved portion of the road. However, he adds that it’s a good thing to let the gravel base settle over a winter.

- The hill on South Kashagawigamog Lake Road at Williams Landing will be lowered and the gully raised to provide for better sightlines. He says blasting will not be required; the work can be done with a bulldozer because the hill is primarily gravel.

The trees on the hill have been cut and Hydro has already moved its lines. Bell has yet to do its work. Ray expects the project to get underway in late May.

- Haliburton village will get a second traffic light. The light will be installed at the corner of County Roads 1 and 121 to address safety concerns. The intersection is heavily travelled by school buses and students from the high school cross 121 just a few metres away. A consultant will work on timing for the lights. Ray says that it’s likely the light will be times so that cars coming down County Road 1 and turning right will not trigger the lights to change. The light will only change when a car needs to turn left, therefore impeding the flow of traffic on 121 as little as possible. Students will also be encouraged to cross at the lights. Ray expects the work to be done in August when summer traffic begins to slow and school has not yet resumed.

- Originally the plan was to work on nine kilometres of road between Haliburton and Gooderham but the budget has been reduced. Ray says the department will re-evaluate what can be achieved this year, but he expects it will be half of the original goal.

- It was a brutal winter on the roads – and the roads department’s budget. All the reserves of sand and salt were depleted and must be replenished. As well, eight of the 10 men have logged more than 200 hours of overtime. They cannot be paid for the work so they are currently taking time off in lieu of payment. “Maintenance costs are up by \$300,000 because of the rough winter,” Ray says.

Chamber of Commerce content with \$135,000 it gets from county

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

Although the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce got hit with a 10 per cent decrease in the amount of money it will get from the county, the president says it won’t have a big impact on what the Chamber is able to accomplish this year.

As proposed in this year’s budget, which will be ratified by county council on April 23, the Chamber will receive \$135,000 to market the Highlands on behalf of the county. The Chamber had asked for \$150,000.

“It’s a good compromise – everyone else was getting cut [in the budget],” Chamber president Jim Henwood said after last week’s preliminary budget meeting. “It’s a 10 per cent cut but we can make it work. We couldn’t have made it work with much less than that, though.”

Henwood says the board has yet to meet to discuss how to trim \$15,000 from the budget.

“We’ll probably cut a little bit of marketing, maybe take out a trade show,” he says.

The Chamber says that the money it receives from the county is not a grant but rather a fee for its marketing service.

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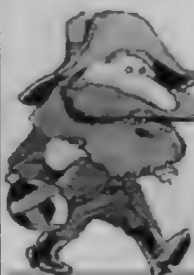
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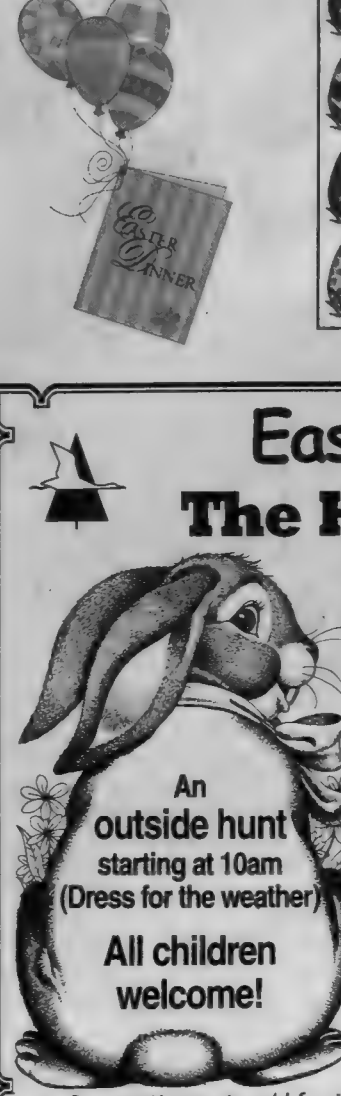
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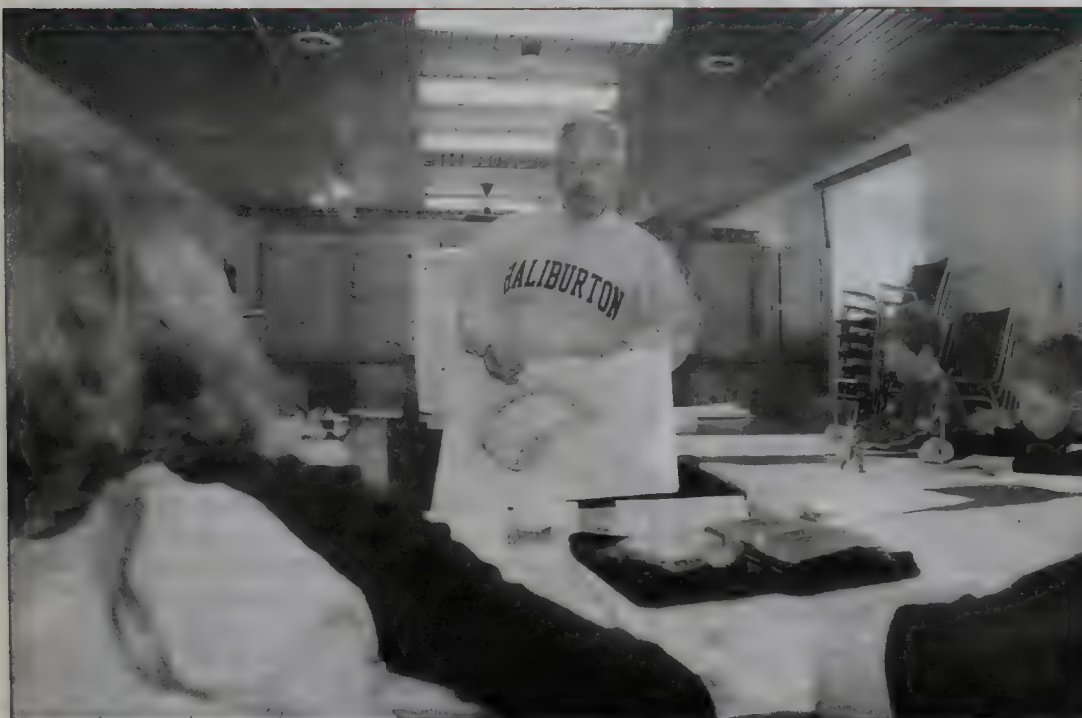
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Road allowance decision may prompt legal fight

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 3 meeting of Algonquin Highlands council.

Council's decision to stick to its bylaw forbidding the sale of road allowances which lead to water earned an angry rebuke from a Kawagama Lake cottager who might pursue a legal challenge to the rule.

"I've got to take it to the Ontario Municipal Board," Wanda Lalonde told council after her request to purchase a road allowance along the side of her property was denied. "I'm in shock that you would do this to me."

Township policy says it will not sell road allowances which lead to water as a way of guaranteeing public access to lakes. The only exception is when a building, built prior to 1980, is on the allowance.

"We really can't do anything about it," Reeve Eleanor Harrison said. "We're going to stay with our policy. Once you make exceptions it's easier the next time and eventually [the bylaw] is not much good."

Lalonde fears the public will use the road allowance.

Assistant hired

Donald Kidd of Uxbridge has been hired as the new assistant bylaw officer/chief building official.

"He comes with great credentials and great experience," says Bain.

Kidd is a building inspector in Markham and for 11 years prior to that was with Whitchurch/Stouffville's building department.

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He has all the necessary qualifications.

Bain noted that Kidd and his wife and two children want to move to a more rural area.

Meanwhile, council accepted with regret the resignation of Glen Card, the public works foreman based in Dorset.

More money

With 90 per cent of the northern half of the municipality taken up by Crown land, council supported a motion asking the province for more money in lieu of the property taxes the municipality is foregoing.

The municipality of Addington Highlands says that since the government often makes money from logging on Crown land, and logging trucks are particularly hard on roads, municipalities with large tracts of Crown land need more money to maintain those roads.

"We're in a near crisis state when it comes to financing our roads and bridges," a letter from Addington Highlands said. It wants a review of the province's reimbursement policy.

Council was hesitant to rock the boat, noting it does receive money for Crown land, but agreed that more money was needed to help pay for roads damaged by logging trucks. It supported Addington Highlands' request.

"We are getting some money," said Harrison. "As to whether it's sufficient..."

Clear language

What is a "reasonably prudent person"? The municipality is asking the province to clarify the wording of the Safe Drinking Water Act, which demands that anyone who is responsible for a municipal water system acts in a way that a "reasonably prudent person" would.

"Is that the same as 'due diligence,'" Deputy-reeve Don Shortreed asked. And what did due diligence mean? Acting like a prudent person, Councillor Tom Gardner said with a smile.

Cash it or frame it?

Council was very pleased to receive a cheque for \$1,000 for Lake of Bays.

The money is to help Algonquin Highlands pay for services in Dorset that benefit property owners in both Algonquin Highlands and Lake of Bays. (The boundary line divides the village.)

Oxtongue parking

Water-access only property owners will be allowed to park their vehicles and trailers in a cul de sac at the end of Harris Road.

Shortreed said that while the new parking area addresses a request from a property owner, he's doubtful that people will want to leave their unattended vehicles and trailers there for risk of having them stolen. Likewise, he doubts people will want to leave their boats there between visits.

Minden Hills planning fees set to increase

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times staff

The following are brief reports from the April 10 committee of the whole meeting of Minden Hills.

Chief bylaw officer, Fraser MacDonald has drafted a new bylaw for planning application fees.

To file for a re-zoning currently costs \$150. It will jump to \$500 based on 13.75 hours of staffing costs. Other fees are jumping from \$500 to \$1,200.

Twyla Nicholson, deputy clerk, says if the entire amount charged is not used in staff time then the applicant will be refunded the unused portion.

MacDonald says that in comparison to neighbouring municipalities the new fees will put them in the middle of the pack.

Policing

Policing will cost approximately five per cent more in the 2003 for Minden Hills.

Haliburton Highlands OPP Staff Sgt. Bob Walli came to the meeting to discuss the \$719,280 estimate and the business plan. He says the plan continues to focus on visibility, trails, and marine waterways.

In 2002, 310 hours were spent on marine patrol and the 2003 target is to increase that by 50 hours. Walli says they did not note any increase in alcohol-related marine collisions last year. The majority of complaints were related to personal watercraft and Walli says they will be seeking public assistance in getting licence plate numbers.

He said police are also working to improve relations with alarm system monitoring companies. Walli says often homeowners are not informed by their companies when their alarm goes off so they don't realize when they are causing problems.

Woodstove inspections

Fire Chief Doug Schell said that the woodstove inspections were an unwarranted liability risk he could live without. He said that anyone installing a new heating system such as a furnace or woodstove needs to apply for a building permit and so there is some obligation to inspect the installation of a new appliance.

Councillor Peter Oyler suggested there is no point of the municipality risking a liability to offer a service that is privately offered. He did not feel the municipality should be competing with private business.

Council agreed to carry a motion through to full council to stop the fire department's practice of doing woodstove inspections.

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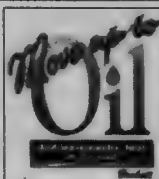
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Clockwise from bottom left, ASES students Eric Whittey, Rachel Nesbitt, William Harding, Krista Bamford, Courtney Griffin, Derek Graham, Christopher Arsenault, Brian Johnston and Megan McKay show off their masks on the last day of their six-week art adventure on March 31. The students were provided instruction as well as a venue free of judgement, allowing their artistic creativity to go free.

Sponsored by Family Services of Haliburton County, with local artist Michelle Pierson volunteering her time, the program will now be offered in Wilberforce and Cardiff.

Darren Lum/TIMES



Students given alternative to Gr. 10 literacy test

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Times staff

Students who failed the Grade 10 Literacy Test will have another shot at getting a high school diploma by completing a literacy course that will be offered for the first time this fall.

The new course is part of the \$50 million Graduate in Ontario by Achieving Literacy Standards GOALS strategy recently announced by the Ministry of Education. The money is targeted for students in Grades 7 to 12 and will be used to pay for remedial programs, more flexible timetables for students and to assist in the transition from school to work.

There are approximately 43,000 students across the province who have failed the literacy test according to a

press release from the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation. If they don't pass it, they can't graduate. Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Principal Gary Brohman estimates there are approximately 12 to 18 students here who would be eligible to take the new literacy course.

This is a full credit course open to students who have had the opportunity to take the literacy test twice and failed at least once. If students have failed one portion of the test, either reading or writing, they do have to take the entire course. Once the course is successfully completed, students do not have to take the test.

Brohman says asking a student to sit in a cramped gym to write a test that will determine whether or not they graduate is simply not for everyone. He added that giving students the chance to complete the literacy requirement

in a different venue is wonderful. The principal has not seen the new curriculum yet and is reserving further judgment until he has.

The fear often expressed by teaching associations and parent groups since the introduction of the test has been that if students fail it they will see high school as hopeless and drop out. Brohman says when students fill out their exit plans he has not seen failure of the test listed as a reason; usually the kids who fail the test are also failing other classes which leads to their decision to drop out.

Five years from now, Brohman says they may have more concrete statistics to suggest the drop-out implications.

Students currently in Grade 12 are not subject to the literacy requirements.

The Anglican Parish of Minden-Kinmount Holy Week - Easter Services

St. Paul's, Minden

Thursday, April 17, 7pm
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Friday, April 18, 10 am
Jesus' Passion on the Cross

Saturday, April 19
6pm to 10pm
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Sunday, April 20
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Thursday, April 17, 10am
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Sunday, April 20, 11:15 am
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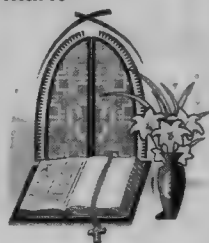
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Mike Baum would like to announce that he and his father Fred Baum have a new office location with Century 21 Cottage Country Realty Inc. on Highway 35, at the former "Langford Canoe" site. The father-son team offer the community nearly 40 years of combined real estate experience, primarily in the Dorset, Kawagama Lake and Lake of Bays region. Fred operated his own real estate business, with Mike's assistance for many years, in Dorset – both being recipients of numerous, prominent sales awards.

The Dorset Community Kitchen group will meet on Thursday, April 17 to make Easter Bread. This sweet bread is made from a traditional Russian recipe using recycled food cans as baking tins. If you are interested in participating, call 766-9968 by April 14 to sign up.

News from the Pews: A Good Friday service will be held at Knox United at 10 a.m. Easter Sunday service will be held at 11:30 a.m. An interesting Lenten bible study group meets at 11:30 a.m. on Fridays, studying major world religions. Any and all are welcome to join – bring a bag lunch! St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church in Dorset will be holding a Maundy Thursday Service on April 17 at 4 p.m. On April 18 at 11:30 a.m. a Good Friday service will be held and Easter services will take place on April 20 at 11:30 a.m.

Keep Thursday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. open on your calendar for a public meeting of the Dorset Heritage Museum at the Dorset Recreation Centre to discuss plans

for the coming season as well as plans for our new building. Your input is important. Everyone is welcome.

Get ready for Dorset's annual Pitch In Day, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 3 at 9 a.m. Garbage bags will be available at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Coffee and treats will be served at the Dorset Recreation Centre at 10:30 a.m., after the clean-up. This is a great opportunity for high school students to log some community service hours – bring your cards and organizer.

Birthday wishes for April 13 to 19 go out to Robbie Drebbitt, Catlin Perry, Marg Schwab, Todd Brooks, Jordie Schuetze, Eva Prince and Misha Vitkin. Have a wonderful day!

H.H. To make your own all purpose spring cleaner, combine 1/4 cup baking soda, one cup household ammonia, 1/2 cup white vinegar and 1 gallon warm water. Mix in a large pail and use for all your spring cleaning jobs. Use at room temperature.

Lion or lamb? March was a bit of both

by PHIL GRAHAM
Special to The Times

March provided us with a lot of variety. The first half was a continuation of winter – cold and snowy. The second half it was almost like spring, the changeover happening on March 15.

Sunny and much warmer, the snow melt was quite gradual but we still had some by the end of the month. The average temperature was a few degrees colder than last March. The precipitation was much less than last march.

After all this, on April 1 winter looked like it was back again. No fooling!

But the future looks good – two summers and one winter ahead of us.

Average high: 3.6° C;
38.4° F

Average low: -11.5° C;
11.3° F

Average for the month:
-7.9° C; 17.7° F

Average for last March:
-5.2° C; 22.6° F

Highest temperature:
March 16: 15° C; 59° F

Lowest temperature:
March 3: -33° C; -27.4° F

Rain: 42 mm; 1.6 inches

Snow: 30 cm; 11.8 inches

Total precipitation: 72 mm; 2.8 inches

Total precipitation last March: 134.2 mm; 5.2 inches

Snow on ground March 31: patches

Snow on ground last March 31: 286 cm; 112.5 inches

Days mostly sunny: 14

Days with snow or rain: 15

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Mother's pride

Kristen Campbell receives a warm hug from her mother Kim as sisters Taelor and Kelsei and brother Judd stand to the side on the opening night of the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. The gallery starts its season with the Excellence from Archie Stouffer Elementary School and CHACE student art exhibition. The public showings will be from Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., April 8 - 22.

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U-Links student takes pulse of health services

by SHERYL LOUCKS
 Times staff

Patients have no significant preference for health services in Minden over Haliburton, according to a telephone survey conducted by Dan Clydesdale as part of a U-Links project.

Clydesdale recently presented the findings of his research project for Haliburton Highlands Health Services. The project actually began in 2001 and each year since students from the U-Links Community Based Research program have picked it up and added another piece to the picture.

HHHS board chair Jack Brezina says Clydesdale has done a great job and the information the students are collecting is very valuable to the organization.

The results come from a random sample of residents from the four municipalities in the county and are not conclusive yet. Clydesdale says he had not anticipated the problems he had in reaching his target of 50 people to do the survey; sometimes a single interview could take 45 minutes. He called approximately 500 numbers to get his sample.

What he has found so far is 69.2 per cent felt the emergency room services

were adequate but 53.6 per cent thought funding was inadequate for HHHS. When he asked what should receive more funding, seven per cent said services for the disabled or mental health, 33 per cent said recruitment or retention of doctors, 13 per cent felt the same about other health professionals, and 26 per cent said equipment.

Some interesting highlights were that he found 76.9 per cent of respondents travelled outside of Haliburton County for services, with the majority of those going to Peterborough, Lindsay and Toronto. About 28.2 per cent said they do not have a doctor in the county and out of that group, 12 per cent use the clinic and 10.3 per cent use emergency services if they need to see a doctor.

Clydesdale found 56.4 per cent of his sample had never heard of the diabetes education network and only 38.5 per cent had heard of assisted living.

Clydesdale says there is still lots of work to be done and he hopes the project continues to get passed on. He used the opportunity to do the research to earn a half credit for his nursing program at Trent University.



Dan Clydesdale, left, talks to Jack Brezina, right, about his U-Links research on Haliburton Highlands Health Services during a recent presentation of his project.

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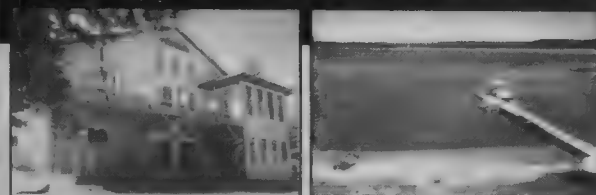
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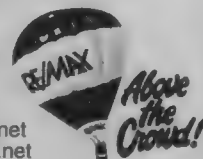
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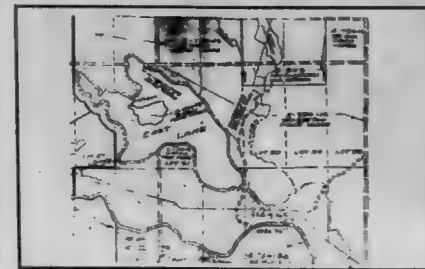
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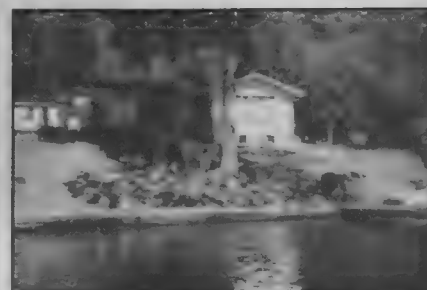
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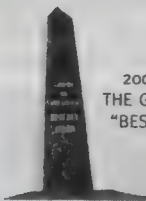
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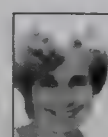
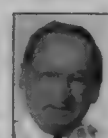
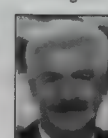
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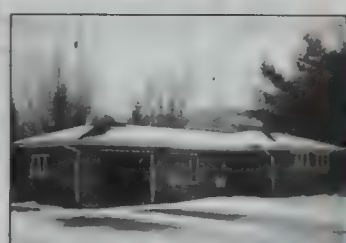
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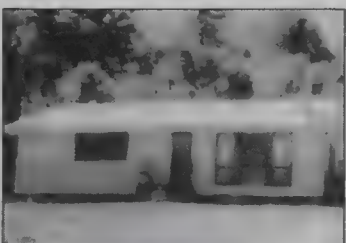
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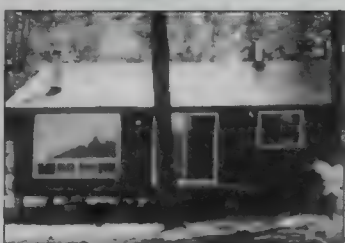
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Local quilters raise money for breast cancer support project

The Haliburton Highland Quilters have joined with hundreds of men and women from Canada and abroad to create a handmade quilt that will be exhibited and auctioned to raise money for breast cancer support. The

quilt, entitled "Visions of Haliburton", has been donated to The Quilt: A Breast Cancer Support Project. Members of the Haliburton Highlands Quilters submitted quilt blocks depicting what Haliburton means to them, and our

third quilt for donation was made.

The Quilt Project is a unique fund-raising campaign conceived four years ago by breast cancer survivor Carol Miller of Stratford, Ontario. Last year's event received 300 quilts from survivors as well as skilled and novice quilters from coast to coast. The quilts were displayed over the summer with 100 of them travelling throughout Canada, making stops in five western cities. Quilts were sold by auction at Casa Loma in Toronto and Stratford Theatre auctions in the fall. The event raised \$155,551 to fund cancer support programs in the quilt donors' communities.

Quilts donated to this year's campaign will be displayed in Stratford from May 16 to October 26. The travelling exhibit will again be mounted at La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries in 15 cities from coast to coast from May through August. The Travelling exhibit then moves to majestic Casa Loma in the heart of Toronto, where the quilts will be displayed until October 26. A mini auction will be held at Casa Loma on October 16, hosted by CBC radio personality Shelagh Rogers. The gala auction will take place in Stratford at the Avon Theatre on Saturday, November 15 as part of an Under the Covers Weekend.

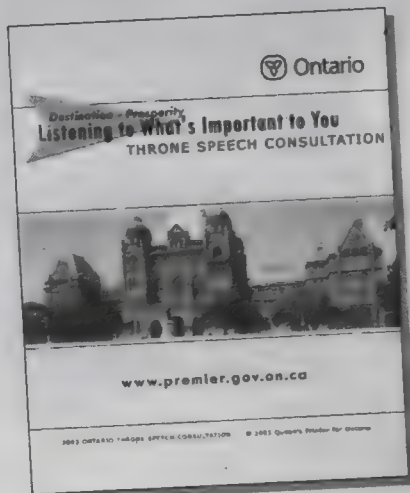
The goal for the 2003 campaign is more than 300 quilts for exhibition and sale. In addition to the handmade creations from quilters, there is an opportunity for quilts – antique and ones in good condition – to be donated by non-sewing supporters of this campaign. This way, non-quilters and collectors can also be involved in this exciting project.



Some of the members of the Haliburton Highland Quilters who worked on a quilt they made for the fund-raising campaign "The Quilt: A Breast Cancer Support Project," are seen here with their contribution. Kneeling, left to right: Milly Struik, Marg Higgins, Esther Graham and Ellie McNeill. Standing (l to r): Ruth Hunt, Velma Stiver, President Jean Bolt, Amy Hogg, Anita Dobell, Dorothy Thayer and Roberta Coles.

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Throne Speech Consultation 2003



Premier Ernie Eves wants to hear what you have to say about Ontario's future. The results of a provincewide consultation will be reflected in the government's April 30th Throne Speech.

The Ontario Government is reaching out to all citizens, asking you – What can we do to keep Ontario strong?

Our guiding principle is that a strong economy is the foundation upon which everything else is built: equality of opportunity in education, good jobs, health care you can count on, a happy retirement. The quality of life of every Ontarian depends upon the ability of the economy to fuel job creation and the prosperity necessary to fund our social programs.

Give us your thoughts on Health Care, Education, Energy, the Economy, the Environment, Local Communities, Public Safety, or other matters, and we will listen and take action.

Be a part of this historic consultation. Visit www.premier.gov.on.ca to fill out the consultation booklet online, call Publications Ontario at 1-800-668-9938 or pick one up at your local Government Information Centre.



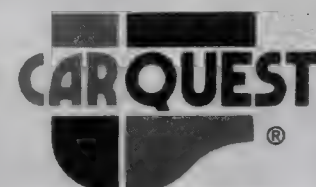
OPP kicks off spring seatbelt campaign

The OPP will buckle down on drivers who fail to buckle up during the Spring Seatbelt Campaign which runs to April 26. OPP officers are determined to stop unbuckled drivers in their tracks.

Motorists continue to place their lives and those of their passengers—including children, in grave danger by not using seatbelts, despite the fact that seatbelt restraint is a safety measure that has been proven to reduce the number of deaths and serious injury in motor vehicle collisions. Drivers need to be particularly mindful of the safety of children when travelling, ensuring that children are safely strapped in 100% of the time.

Reducing fatalities and serious injury should be the number one reason to buckle up, however the OPP is also reminding motorists that increased collision fatalities and injury impacts our healthcare costs enormously. Millions of dollars are spent every year on collision victims who fail to buckle up and we can significantly reduce these costs.

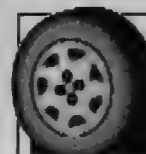
OPP officers would rather see travellers safely buckled in than write them a ticket, therefore they are reminding every person who gets behind the wheel to take a few seconds to buckle everybody up safely and remember that everyone deserves to be safe on the road.



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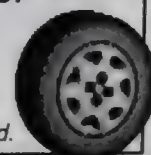
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Butterfly is a true harbinger of spring

King and I have just returned from feeding the ponies en route to the mailbox in the welcome Spring sunshine.

The lane has already come alive with a variety of bugs, along with one early unexpected visitor - a brown and orange patterned butterfly. Thanks goes out to Bess Cox from the South Lake Road/Bat Lake area for calling to



AROUND THE TOWN

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report her first robin on the doorstep. You often hear the phrase "Laughter is the Best Medicine." With the war reports, SARS concerns and weather woes making spirits sink here at the farmhouse we have taken up "Cosby Show" reruns as our afternoon tonic. Whether as the obstetrician Dr. Cliff Huxtable or the frustrated Hilton forced into early retirement Cosby brings welcome comic relief to the winter weary.

St. Luke's Anglican Church, Burnt River will hold its Easter Eucharist Service on Sunday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m.

As part of its ongoing Centennial Celebrations, the Church plans to be open on several afternoons over the summer with hostess Ada Handley welcoming visitors. Special arrangements can be made with Ada for dates other than those already scheduled.

The Kinmount Branch 441 of the Royal Canadian Legion is hosting a Karaoke Night on Saturday, May 17 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. There is no charge and everyone 19 years plus is welcome to come out and join in the fun. For more information contact Carolyne Fountain at 488-2513.

Give Vic Ballik a call at 488-3053 if you plan to partic-

ipate in or wish to make a pledge to the Kinmount and Area Lions Club "Journey to Conquer Blindness and Support the Dog Guide Program" leaving from the Railway Station at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 4.

Now here's the Scoring News with "hats off" to those stalwart souls who braved the weather.

Thursday, April 3 euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636: For most lone, hands it was our reporter May Bradbury for the ladies and Bess Cox representing the gents. Carol Hill and Norm Lee recorded the high score ladies/men while Edith Burch and Doug Currie took the lows. Other prizes went to Helen Skelding, Kay Orr, Jim Bradbury, Norm Lee and Don Burch.

Friday, April 4 bid

see Pat Roussel page 28

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Sealed Tenders will be accepted only at the Purchasing Office, Sir Sandford Fleming College, Room 423, Brealey Building, 599 Brealey Drive, Peterborough, Ontario no later than 2:00 p.m. local time, Tuesday, April 29, 2003.

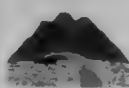
The tenders will be publicly opened at 2:05 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2003 in the Stella Pulkinghorn Boardroom 515, Sutherland Campus, 599 Brealey Drive, Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7B1

All interested parties are asked to attend a **MANDATORY INFORMATION SESSION** for Wednesday, April 16, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. in the LRC Boardroom 470H, Sutherland Campus, 599 Brealey Drive, Peterborough, Ontario. Tenders will only be accepted from those in attendance at the Information Session.

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For further information, please contact Sandy Lawrence, C.P.P., Director of Purchasing (705) 749-5554, Frank Dalley (705) 749-5508 or Ted Wilson, Totten Sims Hubicki, (905) 668-9363.

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- NOTICE -

Under Section 291, of the Municipal Act, 2001

Re: Township of Minden Hills 2003 Budget Adoption

At the regular meeting of Council on
Thursday, April 24, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

in the Municipal Council Chambers

7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

the Council of the

Township of Minden Hills

intends to adopt the

2003 Municipal Budget.

*The meeting is open to the public and all
interested parties are welcome to attend.*

Mary Jane Irwin, Treasurer

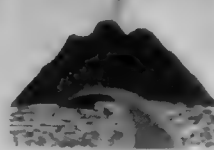


Public Notice

Pursuant Section 251 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001 and County By-law No. 2893, notice is hereby provided that the Council of the County of Haliburton will conduct a meeting to finalize the 2003 Budget on Wednesday, April 23, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Administration Building located at 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario.

Gary King, CAO/Clerk
County of Haliburton

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STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Successful candidates must be registered, full-time students for 2002/2003 year and intend to return to school on a full-time basis in the fall of 2003.

Summer Student Positions – Subject to Confirmation of Funding

Five (5) student positions for the summer of 2003 will be available, **should the Municipality receive funding under the Summer Career Placement Program or other funding programs.** The positions are:

Parks & Recreation and Cemetery Labourers – Five positions available.

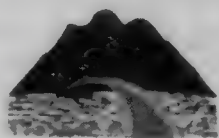
- Four positions for a period of 16 weeks, commencing May 5, 2003.
- One position for a period of 10 weeks, commencing June 23, 2003.
- Responsibilities include assisting in the maintenance and operations of the Community Centre and Parks, assisting the public with functions held at the Community Centre, cutting grass, landscaping, building repair, playground maintenance and equipment operation and maintenance.
- Hours of employment will include evenings and weekends.
- Minimum G-2 Class Driver's Licence required.

Hourly Rate of Pay: \$8:00 per hour.

Qualified applicants are requested to submit a resume to the address outlined below, on or before, Wednesday, April 16, 2003 at 12:00 noon, in a sealed envelope, to the attention of Mr. Ray Miscio, Parks, Recreation, Cemetery Manager, clearly marked "Student Labourer Position – Parks, Recreation, Cemetery".

Township of Minden Hills,
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street
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*Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the
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We thank all those applicants who apply; however, only those selected for an
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300(1)(a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills purposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on April 24, 2003 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows: -

1. File No. SRA-02-05
Applicant - **BRENNAN: Christopher and Frances**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 7, Concession 8, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7498, registered February 28, 2003.
2. File No. SRA-02-17
Applicant - **STEWART: John and Joanne**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 10, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7503, registered March 12, 2003.
3. File No. SRA-01-65
Applicant - **WESTLAKE: Carolyn Ruth**
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of East Moore Lake, lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 5, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-7159, registered August 30, 2001.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the former Lutterworth Municipal Office, Hwy #35 South of Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 3rd day of April 2003.

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- **St. Patrick's Church, Kinmount** - Mass Times: Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and Friday at 11:00 a.m.
- **Looking for Team Leaders!** To help to improve the quality of life for people with spinal cord injury. Organize a Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion event on Saturday, June 14th, 2003 for Rick Hansen Man in Motion Foundation. Contact: Sandee Mann, 1-800-213-2131, www.rickhansen.com.
- **CLIMAX Climbing Club** every Tuesday at Camp Medeba in West Guilford. 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for Parents and Children under 13 years, and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for teens and adults. Drop-in indoor rock climbing. For more information contact Greg Shantz at Family Services 457-5345.
- **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** has arrived in Haliburton. Please join us at The Home Support Drop-In Centre (behind the Home Hardware). Every Wednesday - Weigh in at 10 a.m. followed by a short meeting. For further information please call Donna Medland 754-4464.
- **Join the Walking Club**, week day morning walks sponsored by the Haliburton Chapter of the Heart and Stroke Foundation. In Minden, people can walk from 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. For more information call Morris Duff at 286-6079.
- **The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m., in the Fireside lounge at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizen's Home in Minden. All men and the women who love them are welcome. For info., please call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699 or email: leacliff@sympatico.ca.
- **ONTARIO BREAST SCREENING PROGRAM** for women 50 years and over, screening on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for an appointment. 705-328-6175
- **Every Thursday:** 12 noon Haliburton Highlands Senior Citizen Club weekly luncheon at Haliburton Legion. Join us for good food, fun and fellowship.
- **Guided Meditation** Sunday evenings from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. at the Trinity Centre located at The Hair Lounge in Camarvon.
- **Volunteers Needed** for local mediation service. Help foster conflict resolution in your community. Free training is provided for all volunteer mediators. For more detailed information, please call 457-3499 extension 608.
- **Haliburton County Home Support's** trip to Mamma Mia on April 23 is now full. We are taking bookings for a second trip to Mamma Mia on Saturday, May 24. Please call Sheri for more information at 457-2941, or Adele at 448-2838.
- **Haliburton County Home Support** has an ongoing Treasure Table in the Drop in Center. Drop by with your change and check out our table. We appreciate any donations towards our table...please no clothing. For more info call 705-457-2941.
- **Haliburton County Home Support** has volunteers just waiting to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a SECURITY CHECK PHONE CALL. If you know of anyone who needs a phone call once a day, please call Judy at 457-2941.
- **March 17 to April 21:** Folk Art Classes for Beginner's at Club 35 with Karen Donalson. Mondays 1 to 3 p.m. Registration is required - 489-2241. Call for a list of requirements. Brought to you by the Stanhope Recreation Committee.
- **Free Internet & Computer Lessons.** Call to book your appointment with Adam Jones, our Community Access Program Internet Facilitator. Adam is in most evenings between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. but an appointment is required to guarantee a lesson. Please call 766-9968, Dorset Recreation Centre.
- **April 15:** Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. Join us for a presentation on Bird Rehabilitation: Perils Facing Loons & Other Birds by Janice Enright at the Haliburton Museum at 7:30 p.m.
- **April 15:** Attention all pilots and pilot wannabees! The 3rd annual Aviation Safety Seminar with Lynne McMullen of Seneca College will be held at the Stanhope Fire Fighters' Hall at 7 p.m. Call John Packer at 705-754-2611 for details. Bring your CFS and AIP.
- **April 16:** Women's Institute of Minden invite you to attend our Annual Meeting to be held at a member's home at 1:30 p.m. At which time we will be voting in our slate of officers for the coming year. We will also be talking about a special ancestor. "The Focus of Women's Institutes everywhere will always remain the personal growth of women. That is our greatest challenge." Interested? Call 489-4343.
- **April 16:** Basic Rescuer Recertification. 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. For more information and registration phone 324-1656 W.S.I.B. Approved.
- **April 19:** Norland United Church Pancake Breakfast starting at 8:00 a.m. All are welcome! Free parking at the back of the church.
- **April 19:** Maple Syrup Festival at the Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce: All-You-Can-Eat Pancakes, Sausages, Maple Syrup. Should be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plus Flea market, crafts & maple syrup display 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **April 23:** PST/GST Workshop at SSCF Haliburton Campus. 6pm to 9pm. Sponsored by the Haliburton County Development Corp. In Partnership with Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. For more information and to register please call the HRDC at 457-355
- **April 25:** 6pm-10pm / April 26: 9am-5pm / April 27: 9am-5pm (Three Day Course) Teach People How To Save Lives - Become a CPR Instructor! For information and to register call Victoria Save-A-Life 324-1656.
- **April 25:** Robert Silverman. May 23: Bennett & Finley October 25: Denise Djokic Haliburton Highlands Concert Series 2003- Some Series Tickets Available. Call to order 457-9731.
- **April 26:** A Dinner Theatre in Wilberforce presented by The Loop Watson Centre. Tickets at Agnew's General Store until April 12. Tickets for only the theatre portion, starting at 8:00 p.m. Available at the door.
- **May 2:** Haliburton Highlands Women's Golf league Icebreaker Tee at the Wigamog Inn at 7pm.
- **May 4:** Haliburton Highlands Hospital Auxiliary Haliburton Site presents Spring Tea and Fashion Show. 1:30 p.m. at the Wigamog Inn. Fashions by Bigleys, door prizes, dessert, special prizes. To order call 457-2642.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

Pat Roussel records 396 bid euchre score

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euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Mary Pearson reports that moonshots landed on Marion Farr and Sharon Evans. For the pinks, Marj Coffey took top spot at 234, followed by Verna Sawyer 225 and Marion Farr 221. Cliff Davison led the white cards at 280, Alf Helleman was next at 267 and Tom Pearson third with 264. The hidden score holder was Barb Robitaille.

Friday, April 4 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Using the Howell system, the three leading duos were Pat Hannah and Stella McMillan first at 62%, with Ev and Fred Vanderland second at 51.3%, followed closely by Doug and Muriel McIntosh 50.6%.

Saturday, April 5 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: With a score of 396, Pat Roussel captured first place. Milton Fletcher's 260 was second and Esther Lee's 254 third. Our reporter Ruth Kellett tells me that Pat's score is the highest she has seen at the Club and that in a single game Pat, partnered with Milton Fletcher, took an impressive 96 points. Hidden scores were discovered by Norm Lee, Pat Bailey and Edith Burch, while Kevin Maloney, Milton Fletcher and Esther Lee had single moonshots and Pat Roussel had two.

Monday, April 7 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636: First place went to Don Burch, with Heather Cunningham second and Idella Gault third. Draw winners were Joe Rivers, Don Burch and our reporter Maxine Cross.

Monday, April 7 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake: Lone hand holder Barb Robitaille was a double winner, also taking home the baloney. High scores for ladies/men were recorded by Olive Daniels and Cliff Woolner, while Jean Randell and Wally Harpur had both the evening's lows and were on the receiving end of two very special Club 35 awards.

Monday, April 7 euchre at the Friendship Club, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden: In the lone hands column, it was Don Hicks and Pearl Cowen taking the honours, with Laura Carnegie and Norm Lee recording the afternoon's highs. Low scores went to Jeanne Keliele for the ladies and Katie Parker representing the gents. Mabel Deacon discovered the hidden score, while the draws went to Julie Keberer and Nettie Sinclair, who was visiting with Tim and Betty Sharpe.

Monday, April 7 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: Marg Viney had the high score, with Jean Scadden second. Moonshots went to Vic Ballik, Bill St. Thomas, Eileen Shepstone, Jim Corbett and Jean Scadden, while Emily Harvie and Jean Scadden

took the special draws.

Tuesday, April 8 contract bridge at Stanhope: A grand slam was bid and made by Harold Cox and Wynne Hansen, while Pearl Foster and Donna Medland teamed up to take a small slam. The top scoring quartet was led by Helen Rice 6620, followed by Ray Moore 4910, Wynne Hansen 4790 and Donna Medland 4070. Diane Boll won the lucky draw.

Tuesday, April 8 Stanhope Fire Hall Seniors' Social Club mixed shuffleboard: Fred Gregory and Beverley Alexander were the top team at 363, with Syd Lockhart and Moe Briscoe next at 292 and Hazel Dorman partnered with Helen Skelding a close third at 291. The afternoon's low score of 186 went to the duo of Jim Meadows and Dorothy Milne.

Tuesday, April 8 bid euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636: Congratulations to our reporter Marie Dennie for her first place win. Esther Lee took second spot and Thelma Francis was third. Marie also had a moonshot along with Don Burch. Hidden score holders were Norm Lee, Kevin Maloney and Don Burch.

Tuesday, April 8 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: For the gents, Ted Wilkins had the high score and Doug Carpenter the low. Ladies high winner was Emily Harvie with Ingra Walters recording the low. George Bartley won for most lone hands, while Jim Walters took the special draw. Best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Ann Francis, Eleanor Young and Isabelle Saunders from their many friends at the Lochlin Centre.

Wednesday, April 9 bid euchre at Stanhope: A shower of moonshots fell on Verna Sawyer, Kay Smith, Katie Parker, Ev Griffin, Fred Gregory and Barb Robitaille. Barb also led the pinks with 287, followed by Helen Windsor 265 and Pearl Cowen 260. Top spot for the white cards went to Fred Gregory 285, then Garth Windsor 283 and Jim Fink 274. Next week will be Pot Luck at 6 p.m. with cards to follow at 7 o'clock.

Wednesday April 9 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing under the Howell system Joan Galley and Mike Collins were first at 64%, then Hal Beach partnered with Pat Hannah second at 63% and Muriel and Doug McIntosh third with 54%.

Wednesday, April 9 Kinmount Seniors at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441: For the ladies Theresa Deak had the high score and Marg Viney was low. Truman McNeil was a triple threat, winning men's high, most lone hands and also a draw prize. Gerald Silver took the men's low for the evening while Joanne Freeman won the other draw.

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 Thank you, **Kim Harding,**
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THE FAMILY OF the late Edna
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 sincere thank you to all for your
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 cards, flowers, food, calls and
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 Grandmother. Special thank
 you to Donna, Gordon, Barry
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Rhonda, Rendal and Elaine,
six grandchildren, sixteen
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 our sincere thanks and appre-
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 know how much he was loved
 and admired by so many. It is a
 pleasure to live in Minden and
 to be a part of such a caring
 community. Don/Dad/Grand-
 pa/father-in-law/brother/brother-
 in-law/uncle and friend may be
 gone from our presence, but he
 will remain forever in our mem-
 ory. Thanks again. God bless
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DAVIS, MURRY LAVERNE -
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 passed away April 14, 1996.
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 with you,
 In deep green forest, on shores
 of sand,
 And when my time on earth is
 through,
 In Heaven, too, you will have
 my hand.
 Your wife, Shirley.

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DAVIS, MURRY - In loving
 memory of a dear father and
 grandfather who passed away
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 But in our hearts you are al-
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MARGUERITE MARY SKINNER (nee White)

After battling leukemia for 2-1/2 years, Marguerite died quietly, surrounded by family, early in the afternoon of April 4, 2003, at Toronto General Hospital. Marg was predeceased by her husbands Dave Skinner (February 6, 2003) and Frank Crawford (1982). She is survived by her sister, Allison Simpson (Tom), Tsawwassen, B.C., brother Don White (Lois Richardson), Port Hope, Ont., nieces and nephews (Dave and Brian Simpson), Joanna, Jay and Adam White), and a host of good friends across Canada who will miss her terribly. Marguerite was born in Belleville, Ont., on May 31, 1939, attended school in Victoria, B.C., Yellowknife, N.W.T., Elsa, Y.T., and graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1960 with a Bachelor of Education. A Teacher, Marg taught in Winnipeg, Kenora and Toronto before retiring from the Toronto Board. Following her retirement in 1994, Marg and Dave enjoyed their home at Lochlin, just outside of Haliburton. Marg was co-founder of The Lochlin Winter Olympics, which brought great pleasure to participants, spectators, and readers of the Haliburton Echo, and was the envy of the international sporting community. She was an active volunteer in her community at the Hyland Crest and Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 636 in Minden. Marg was funny, friendly, smart, outgoing, active, imaginative, creative, well organized, loyal, and, boy, could she be direct. Like her mother, she did cryptic crosswords in pen. Unlike her mother, she was undaunted by the toughest recipe or dress pattern. Who could forget the dress and coat she knitted out of twine in 1968? Even if the coat didn't hang properly. Marg loved to travel; some of her happiest days were spent travelling to Europe and the Far East with our mom after they both were widowed. The family would like to thank the staff of 14A at Princess Margaret Hospital who

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helped her so much over the past two years including Margaret T. and Drs. Messner and Peckham. As well, we would like to thank Dr. Allard and those at Toronto General who made her last days comfortable and, above all, her closest friends, Elsie Cooper and Barri Newman who gave wonderful support to Marg and her family. We all should have such friends. Friends were invited to a Funeral Service at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton on Wednesday, April 9, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. with a reception following downstairs. There was no visitation. Cremation to follow. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0 (1-888-588-5777). In memory of Marg, the family would appreciate donations to St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton, or the Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation, or the Canadian Cancer Society. Or donate a pint of blood for the next Marguerite.

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ROBERTS, SYDNEY (Formerly of Haliburton, Ontario): At Hyland Crest Senior Citizens' Home in Minden on Sunday afternoon, April 6, 2003, in his 89th year. Beloved husband of the late Ruby Orr. Loving father of Murray and his wife Nancy of Peterborough, and Shirley Jean and her husband Dennis Baker of Haliburton. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Andrea, Jennifer, Karissa and Andrew. Predeceased by brothers Frank, Stan, Jim, Fred, Reg. and sister Florence. Friends called at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Tuesday afternoon, April 8, 2003, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Wednesday afternoon, April 9, 2003 at 1:30 o'clock. Interment later Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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VOYCEY: Ernest Wallace - at Victoria Manor, Lindsay, on Thursday, April 10, 2003. Beloved husband of the late Jennie Grace (Rogers) Voycey, formerly of Gamebridge. Dear father of Eileen and her husband Paul Cockburn of Woodville and Linda Voycey of Pukawagon, Manitoba. Survived by his grandchildren Kevin and his wife Shirley, Glen and his wife Sherry, Lois and her husband Wally Cormack, Wayne and his wife Heather, and John. Great grandfather of Jamie, Michelle, Mark, Ryan, Natalie, Andrea and Michael. Brother of Mae Davis of Minden and brother-in-law of Alice Voycey of Lindsay. The family received friends at the Managan Funeral Home, Beaverton, on Friday. Funeral service was held at Knox Presbyterian Church, Gamebridge, on Saturday at 2 p.m. There was visitation at the church one hour prior to service time. Interment later at Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery, Camarvon. The family would appreciate memorial donations to the C.N.I.B. or the Knox Presbyterian Church.

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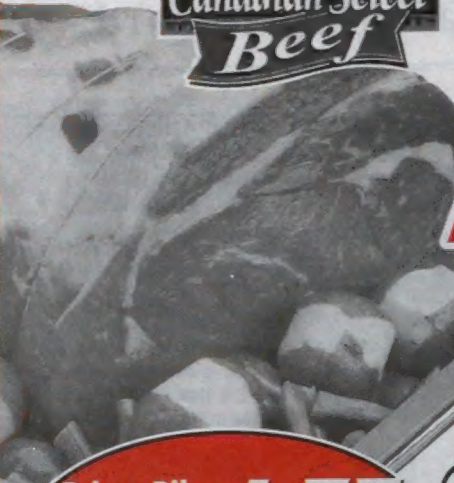
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